

nation. The death of Vincent Chin and the injuries and death suffered by the countless other victims of hate crimes serve as a heavy reminder for this nation to combat hate and continue in its quest for freedom and justice for all Americans.

SCOTT HIGH SCHOOL HONORED  
FOR PRACTICING AND PROMOTING  
CONSERVATION

**HON. LINCOLN DAVIS**

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 19, 2007*

Mr. LINCOLN DAVIS of Tennessee. Madam Speaker, I am pleased to honor the work of students and advisors at Scott High School in Huntsville, Tennessee for implementing and promoting conservation practices at school and in the community.

Through hands-on experiments and computer-aided instructions, students have learned about alternative energy sources such as solar, wind, nuclear, geothermal, hydroelectric, and fossil fuel technologies. They also took field trips to help foster first hand knowledge of these energy sources. School leadership has plans in the near future to use high school students to teach alternative energy education to grade school students.

With the assistance of a few teachers, students were able to mount solar panels, donated by the Tennessee Valley Authority, near the Agricultural Department's greenhouses to run two exhaust fans and a lighted school sign. During this process, students were involved in all aspects of this activity. They designed battery and solar panel racks, mounted the batteries, wired the inverters and other electrical components, and installed the panels.

Their laudable goals and actions have garnered attention by having been selected to attend the National Youth Awards Program for Energy Achievement sponsored by the National Energy Education Development (NEED) Project. The Scott High School energy team will join other winners at the "Kids Teaching Kids Awards Program," in Crystal City, Virginia. The Kids teaching Kids approach encourages students to reach out to their peers and communities and to teach about energy in fun and innovative ways.

There trip to the Washington, DC area will be capped off by attending the NEED Project's National Recognition Ceremonies in Yates Auditorium at the U.S. Department of the Interior. I applaud these young individuals and their advisors for their conservation practices and promoting the use of alternative energy.

TRIBUTE TO MS. KATHRYN WOOD-  
BACHER OF PENN YAN, NEW YORK

**HON. JOHN R. "RANDY" KUHLMAN, JR.**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 19, 2007*

Mr. KUHLMAN of New York. Madam Speaker, I would like to recognize the achievements of Ms. Kathryn Wood-Bacher as President of the Yates County American Legion Auxiliary in New York. Kathryn has devoted many hours

to serving our veterans as a mental health counselor, making herself available to them night and day, whenever they are in need of assistance.

Recently, Yates County endorsed Kathryn for the position of Seventh District Vice President, and because of her tireless dedication and good work, she will most likely be elected to this office at the New York Department Convention in Niagara Falls this July.

Over the years, Kathryn has served as District Junior Coordinator, Certified Community Emergency Safety Responder, Fifth generation Auxiliary member of the Johnson Costello Unit #355, and of course, Yates County President. Kathryn has selflessly devoted her time to caring for our veterans, our Nation's bravest heroes who have put themselves on the line to defend freedom and democracy, and I am proud to recognize her efforts today.

REMEMBERING FORMER CON-  
GRESSMAN ROBIN LEO BEARD,  
JR.

**HON. JOHN S. TANNER**

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 19, 2007*

Mr. TANNER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to help remember our former colleague, a distinguished leader and fellow Tennessean, former Representative Robin Beard, who passed away over the weekend. I had the honor of knowing him both professionally and personally.

A former Marine, Robin served twice as assistant secretary general of NATO in Brussels. He and I had several lengthy conversations about NATO and the relationship between that organization and our work here in the House of Representatives. I appreciated his first-hand knowledge into the goals and workings of NATO, and his insights are helpful now as we represent the U.S. Congress at the NATO Parliamentary Assembly.

Madam Speaker, I hope you and our colleagues will join me and the Tennessee delegation in remembering former Congressman Robin Beard, who made great contributions to our state, our country and the global community.

TRIBUTE TO MRS. TINA PEARSON

**HON. MIKE MCINTYRE**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 19, 2007*

Mr. MCINTYRE. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the United States Capitol Guides Service, I would like to enter into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD a tribute to Mrs. Tina Pearson of Wilmington, NC. For almost 3 years, Tina has faithfully and exceptionally served as assistant director for training for the United States Capitol Guide Service and Congressional Special Services Office. In this capacity, Tina has assisted in the management of the operations of the day-to-day operations of Visitor Services. In addition, she has developed and implemented training policies for Capitol Guides, worked with the Congressional Leadership on special events, and participated in the plan-

ning of the Capitol Visitor Center. Prior to her work with the Guide Services, Tina worked in my congressional office where she exceptionally performed a wide range of duties including legislative correspondence, intern coordinator, and special events. A former teacher of the year at Eugene Ashley High School in 2003, Tina's love for education, her ability to communicate effectively, and her passion for serving her nation will be our loss. We wish her and her family the best as they move to the next chapter in their lives. In closing, let me enter into the record a poem written by Bert Caswell, one of the Capitol Guide Service employees that capsulates the admiration for a job well done by Tina.

This poem was penned in honor of Tina Pearson, of The United States Capitol Guides Service by Albert Caswell. Tina is moving back to North Carolina to be with her family for the most important job one could have . . . to raise a family. We will miss you, Tina. . .

You pulled us up  
but, never down!  
As in all of us,  
but the good you found!  
You made us better,  
you made us sound. . .  
You showed us all how to lead,  
as you gave to us all that we need!  
All so we could succeed!

All in your quiet grace,  
all in your kind and caring face. . .  
There for us!

As you cared for us!  
For you, we wanted to succeed!  
But, when that baby came. . .  
I'd knew for sure so soon we'd miss your name!

For an artist can but paint one canvas at a time!

And greatest gift to our world to find!  
Is to but to give to this our world,  
a happy, healthy, and wonderful little girl to find. . .

Who will grow up to be, a treasure in our world you see!

Marleigh . . . Marleigh  
Our loss is now but your fine gain. . .  
A wonderful Mother to love you, and paint your life scenes!

And Tina, today as you leave,  
look back, on Freedom's face a tear you'll see!

You pulled us up!

CELEBRATING THE ACCOMPLISH-  
MENTS OF TITLE IX OF THE  
EDUCATION AMENDMENTS OF  
1972 AND RECOGNIZING THE  
NEED TO CONTINUE PURSUING  
EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES  
FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS

SPEECH OF

**HON. MAXINE WATERS**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 18, 2007*

Ms. WATERS. Mr. Speaker, throughout this Nation's history there has been an undeniable struggle to insure that the American dream of liberty and justice for all becomes the American reality. For the current reality is one of a country tainted with prejudice; a country in which discrimination based on race, sex, and class permeates every aspect of our society. Still, throughout history there have been those